

REMARKS

By way of the foregoing claim amendments, minor changes have been incorporated into the claims to avoid the European style of claim language involving the use of "characterized in that" language and place the claims in a form more closely corresponding to U.S. practice.

Early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

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1. (Amended) A packaging material for paper containers comprising at least [constitution layers of] a thermoplastic material outermost layer, a paper substrate layer, a barrier layer, and a thermoplastic material innermost layer [and consisting the constitution layers] laminated in [above] such order, [characterized in that]

the thermoplastic material innermost layer [contains] containing at least a linear low density polyethylene which has a narrow molecular weight distribution and has [the properties parameter of] an average density of 0.900-0.915, 88-103-degree C of a peak melting point, a melt flow index of 5-20, a swelling ratio [(SR)] of 1.4-1.6, and a layer thickness of 20-50-micrometer. [of a layer thickness.]

2. (Amended) A packaging material for paper containers according to Claim 1, wherein the thermoplastic material outermost layer contains at least a linear low density polyethylene which has a narrow molecular weight distribution, and has [properties parameter of] an average density of 0.900-0.925, 88-103-degree C of a peak melting point, a melt flow index of 5-20, a swelling ratio [(SR)] of 1.4-1.6, and a layer thickness of 10-15 micrometer. [of a layer thickness.]

3. (Amended) A packaging material for paper containers according to Claim 1, [wherein the] including an adhesives layer between the barrier layer and the thermoplastic

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material innermost layer that contains at least a linear low density polyethylene which has a narrow molecular weight distribution, and has [properties parameters of] an average density of 0.900-0.915, 88-103-degree C of a peak melting point, a melt flow index of 5-20, a swelling ratio [(SR)] of 1.4-1.6, and a layer thickness of 2-15 micrometer [of a layer thickness.]

4. (Amended) A packaging material for paper containers according to Claim 1, [wherein the] including an adhesive thermoplastic material layer between the paper substrate layer and the barrier layer which contains at least a linear low density polyethylene which has a narrow molecular weight distribution, and has [the properties parameter of] an average density of 0.890-0.925, 88-103-degree C of a peak melting point, a melt flow index of 10-20, a swelling ratio [(SR)] of 1.4-1.6, and a layer thickness of 10-25 micrometer [of a layer thickness.]

5. (Amended) A paper packaging container formed from a packaging material comprising [constitution layers of] at least a thermoplastic material outermost layer, a paper substrate layer, a barrier layer, and a thermoplastic material innermost layer [and consisting the constitution layers] laminated in [above] such order, [characterized in that] the thermoplastic material innermost layer [contains] containing at least a linear low density

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polyethylene which has a narrow molecular weight distribution and has [properties parameters of] an average density of 0.900-0.915, 88-103-degree C of a peak melting point, a melt flow index of 5-20, a swelling ration [(SR)] of 1.4-1.6, and a layer thickness of 20-50 micrometer, [of a layer thickness,]

a strip tape [covers] covering a discontinuous section of the thermoplastic material innermost layer between two edges of the packaging material in liquid tight, and

at least a sealing-surface layer of the strip [tap contains] tape containing a linear low density polyethylene which has a narrow molecular weight distribution and has [properties parameters of] an average density of 0.900-0.915, 88-103-degree C of a peak melting point, a melt flow index of 5-20, a swelling ratio [(SR)] of 1.4-1.6, and a layer thickness of 20-100 micrometer, [of a layer thickness.]

6. (Amended) A paper packaging container formed from a packaging material comprising [constitution layers of] at least an outside thermoplastic material layer, a paper substrate layer, and an inside thermoplastic material layer, [characterized in that] the inside thermoplastic material layer [contains] containing at least a linear low density polyethylene, and [has] having [properties parameters of] an average density of 0.910-0.930, a peak melting point of 115 degrees C or more by the differential scanning calorimetry, a melt flow index of 5-15, and a swelling ratio of 1.3-1.8.